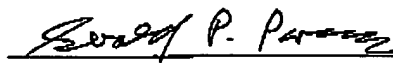


REMARKS

This is in response to a telephone conversation with the Examiner September 9, 2005, on the status of the case. The Examiner noted that claim 23 contained a typographic error, having "steep" instead of "step" and request that this be corrected. The Examiner is thanked for noting this error, which is corrected by the present amendment. A phone call to the undersigned is invited should there be any questions.

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